

R E S O L U T I O N

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WHEREAS, the Yakima Indian Nation and its governing bodies have the responsibility for preserving the health and welfare of citizens within its boundaries, at its usual and accustomed hunting and fishing sites and various other locations described herein; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States through the Secretary of the Interior for the United States has on official record the legal description of said boundaries and areas mentioned herein; and

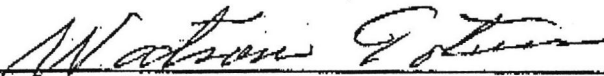
WHEREAS, nuclear wastes, residues, fuels, products and by-products from nuclear material have a real and distinct health hazard to all the residents within and at the areas mentioned herein; including hazards to traditional, cultural, and religious sites throughout the Yakima Indian Nation and at its usual and accustomed hunting and fishing sites; and

WHEREAS, the Yakima Indian Nation, pursuant to its Treaty of 1855 with the United States (ratified) possesses sovereign authority to exercise control and dominion within its said boundaries and at its usual and accustomed hunting and fishing sites and other sites mentioned herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that nuclear wastes, residues, fuels, products and by-products from nuclear material are, from this day forward NOT PERMITTED within the borders of the Yakima Indian Nation; nor are said nuclear material permitted to cross said lands by any conveyance, whether by land, rail, air, or water;.

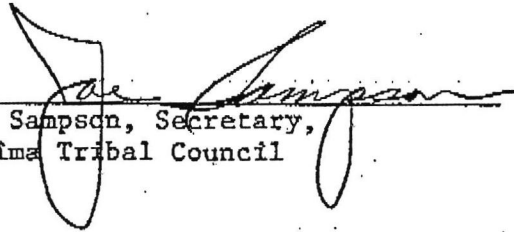
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that because of Treaty and court case rights to access, ingress and egress, as to hunting, fishing, religious, and food gathering sites in the various Treaty Ceded areas of the Yakima Indian Nation and because of the Yakima Indian Nation's concern for the health, welfare, and safety of their people when using said ceded sites and areas, the Yakima Indian Nation records this day their concern over any nuclear wastes, residues, fuels, products and by-products from nuclear material being introduced by whatever method or manner into the Yakima Indian Nation various Treaty ceded areas.

DONE AND DATED on this 6th day of June, 1979 by the Yakima Tribal Council, meeting in regular session at the Governmental Offices of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakima Indian Nation, Toppenish, Washington, by a vote of 9 for and none against (1 not voting).



Watson Totus, Chairman,
Yakima Tribal Council

ATTEST:



Joe Sampson, Secretary,
Yakima Tribal Council